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Applicant(s): Toshihiro TAI

Title: THERMOPLASTIC RESIN COMPOSITION

Serial No.: 09/869 747

Confirmation No.: 8626

Filed: June 29, 2001

Atty Docket No.: Furuya C-1391

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the below-identified pending utility or plant application:

Serial No.: 09/869 747

Filing Date: June 29, 2001

Title: THERMOPLASTIC RESIN COMPOSITION

Inventor(s): Toshihiro TAI

Group: 1714

Examiner: Wyrozebski Lee

Please direct correspondence to the address associated with the following customer number:

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FLYNN, THIEL, BOUTELL & TANIS, P.C.  
(FIRM)

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114
  - a. ☐ An amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_ was not entered. Please enter before calculating the filing fee.
  - b. ☒ Enclosed is/are:
    - i. ☒ Amendment/Response (please enter before calculating the filing fee)
    - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
    - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
    - iv. ☒ Acknowledgment Post Card
    - v. ☐ \_\_\_\_\_
2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Small entity status is claimed. See 37 CFR 1.27.  
☐ Statement(s) re small entity is/are enclosed.
- b. ☐ \_\_\_\_\_.

3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed).

- a. ☒ The RCE fee and any filing fee for claims are calculated as shown below, after entering any amendments which this transmittal indicates are to be entered prior to such calculation:

For	No. Filed	No. Extra	(X) LG Entity	RATE	( ) SM Entity	Fee
Basic RCE Fee				\$750.00	\$375.00	\$750.00
Total Claims	(9 - 20 = 0)		x \$ 18.00		x \$ 9.00	
Indep. Claims	(1 - 3 = 0)		x \$ 84.00		x \$ 42.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Dep. Claim			+ \$280.00		+ \$140.00	
* * * TOTAL FILING FEE * * *						\$ 750.00

- b. ☐ Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), please extend the shortened period for response by month(s). The extension fee is:  
☐ \$ (37 C.F.R. §1.17)  
☐ \$ (37 C.F.R. §1.17; small entity status established by verified statement(s) submitted previously).
- c. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months). Suspension of action fee is \$\_\_\_\_\_ (37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)).
- d. ☒ A check for \$750.00 is enclosed to cover fees.
- e. ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 06-1382 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.
- f. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 associated with this communication or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1382. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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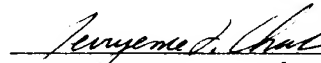
The undersigned is: ☒ an attorney of record  
☐ acting under 37 C.F.R. §1.34.

Please direct all telephone calls to the undersigned at  
telephone number (269) 381-1156.

Respectfully submitted,

FLYNN, THIEL, BOUTELL & TANIS, P.C.

IN DUPLICATE

  
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